## LT. GOVERNOR JOHN GARAMENDI DISCUSSES BENEFITS OF CREATING LOCAL POLICIES TO FIND CLIMATE CHANGE SOLUTIONS

SACRAMENTO - Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi today spoke to city mayors and councilmembers at a morning session of the League of California Cities 109th Annual Conference. Garamendi discussed the importance of combining the efforts of government and the private sector in order to create a sustainable growth economy. He encouraged local governments to continue to develop local initiatives and programs to address the issue of climate change.

"The State of California is taking bold steps to tackle the problem of climate change and build a sustainable growth economy," Garamendi said. "Harmonizing climate change policy at all levels of government will help to expedite positive change by harnessing the great potential of green industries. Cities will play a vital role in the development and practical use of clean technologies."

The League of California Cities annual conference is a four-day affair dedicated to addressing the top issues facing city governments in the state. With more than 2,000 city officials expected to participate, the event features a variety of sessions that fall under the conference theme " Shaping California's Future. "

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